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THE Ordinary of NEWGATE HIS ACCOUNT OF

The Behaviour, Confeſſions, *and* Laſt Speeches *of the* Malefactors *that were Executed at* TYBURN *on* Wedneſday *the* 3d *of* Auguſt, 1715.

4 Aug. 1715.

AT the general Seſſions held at Juſtice-Hall in the *Old-Baily*, on *Wedneſday* the 13th, *Thurſday* the 14th, *Friday* the 15th, and *Saturday* the 16th of *July* laſt, Seven Perſons, *viz.* Five Men, and Two Women, who were Try'd for, and Convicted of ſeveral Capital Crimes, receiv'd Sentence of Death; which was accordingly executed on Three of them; the other Four having obtain'd a moſt gracious Reprieve, the intent of which, I hope, they will take care (as it much concerns them) duly to anſwer, by obeying thoſe Divine Precepts, and living that Holy Life, they have heard, and may further hear, it is their great Duty, and no leſs their own chief Intereſt to follow.

While they were under this Condemnation, I viſited them conſtantly; and had them brought up (twice every Day) to the Chapel of *Newgate*, where I pray'd with them, and read and expounded the Word of GOD to them, who appear'd to give great attention to, and be much affected with it.

On the Lord's Day the 17th of *July* laſt, I preach'd to them, and others there preſent, both in the Morning and Afternoon, upon part of the Epiſtle appointed for that Day, *viz.* 1 *Pet.* chap. iii. the former Clauſe of the 11th verſe; *Let him eſchew Evil, and do Good.*

Which Words having in general explain'd, illuſtrated, and enforc'd by ſeveral Proofs from Scripture-Texts relating thereto, I then in particular proceeded to ſhew from them principally theſe three Things.

I. *That we ought to* eſchew Evil *in* Thoughts, Words, *and* Deeds; *and not only ſo, but even to* abſtain from all appearance of Evil, *as the Apoſtle exhorts,* 1 *Theſſ.* 5. 22.

II. *That it is our indiſpenſable Duty to* do Good, *which conſiſts in a conſtant ſincere Obedience to* GOD's *Commands, and in applying ourſelves hereto with all the Faculties of our Souls, through the whole Courſe of our Lives.*

III. and laſtly, *That our faithful Diſcharge both of this Negative and Poſitive Duty enjoyn'd in the Text*, viz. *our* abſtaining from Evil, *and* doing Good, *will mightily conduce to our preſent and future Happineſs, which by our Sins we have juſtly forfeited, but may (through Mercy) upon true Repentance and* CHRIST's *Merits, comfortably regain.*

On the Lord's Day, the 24th of *July* laſt, I again preach'd to the Condemn'd, and others there preſent, who were many, both in the Forenoon and Afternoon, taking my Text out of the Firſt Leſſon for that Morning-Service, *viz.* 2 *Sam.* chap. xii. verſe xiii. *And* David *ſaid unto* Nathan, *I have ſinned againſt the Lord. And* Nathan *ſaid unto* David, *The Lord alſo has put away thy Sin: Thou ſhalt not die.*

In which Words are contain'd theſe two principal Things moſt worthy of our Obſervation, and laid before us for our Encouragement to, and Improvement in the great Duty of REPENTANCE.

I. David's *ingenuous Confeſſion, who cry's out here,* I have ſinned againſt the Lord.

II. *The comfortable* Abſolution *given him by the Prophet in the Name of* GOD, *immediately upon that* Confeſſion, *imply'd in theſe Words.* And *Nathan* ſaid unto *David*, The Lord alſo has put away thy Sin: Thou ſhalt not die.

Now what was this Sin of *David*, I ſhew'd to be the complicate Crime of **Adultery** and **Murder**, the former of which, *viz.* **Adultery**, he endeavouring to hide, was (as moſt Criminals in this Caſe commonly are) driven to the Commiſſion of the latter, *i. e.* **Murder.** The heinouſneſs of which irreparable Injury I repreſented to my Auditory; and then laid before them the juſt Character of a true Penitent, both in the Perſon and Actions of *David*, after he was brought to a ſenſe and abhorrence of his Crimes; propoſing him as a fit Pattern for them to imitate in their *Repentance*, who had imitated him in his Sins, or committed any other whatſoever.

Again, on the laſt *Lord's Day* the 31ſt of *July*, and on *Monday* the 1ſt of this inſtant *Auguſt*, the Day of Publick Thankſgiving to GOD for His Majeſty, Our moſt Gracious Sovereign KING GEORGE's Happy Acceſſion to the Throne, I preach'd to them, and took my Text out of the Second Morning-Leſſon for that joyful Solemnity; the Place and Words of which Text being theſe, *Rom.* 13. 5. *Wherefore Ye muſt needs be ſubject, not only for Wrath, but alſo for Conſcience ſake.*

From this Text (which afforded me Matter for four Sermons on theſe two Days) after I had explain'd both it and the Context in general, I ſhew'd in particular,

I. *The Duty of Subjection to the King as Supream, and unto Thoſe appointed by Him to execute Juſtice, in puniſhing and reſtraining the Evil-doers, and protecting and encouraging them that do well, according to the Apoſtle's Precept,* 1 Pet. 2. 13.

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II. *Wherein we are to ſubmit and be obedient to the Powers eſtabliſh'd over us; and that is,* not only,

1. *In Things which* GOD *has plainly commanded:* But,
2. *In Things which* GOD *has not poſitively forbidden.*

III. *The Reaſons laid down by St.* Paul *in the Text for this our Subjection and Obedience, viz.*

1ſt, *For Wrath,* i. e. Not meerly for fear of the Puniſhment which the Magiſtrate may inflict upon the Offender: But chiefly,

2dly, *For Conſcience-ſake*; which implies, That tho' the Magiſtrate ſhould lay by his Sword; tho' he ſhould ſuſpend or remit the Puniſhment; yet, out of a ſenſe of their indiſpenſable Duty and religious Obligation, upon the Account of the Divine Command, Men ought to be ſubject and obedient to their Superiours; for to offend herein is a Sin againſt GOD Himſelf.

Having enlarg'd upon theſe Heads and Particulars, I exhorted both the Priſoners, and other Perſons there preſent,

"To praiſe our Great and Good GOD for that, of His infinite Mercy "both to this Church and Nation (which we ought ever to be moſt thank-"ful for) He has, by a ſpecial Providence, ſafely plac'd and ſtedfaſtly eſta-"bliſh'd HIS MAJESTY upon the Throne of His Royal Anceſtors; by "which we may have hope to ſee all the miſchievous Deſigns and Practices "of thoſe wicked People, brought to naught, who have an evil Will at our "*Sion.* And here we ſhould fervently pray Him, the uncontroulable "MONARCH of Heaven and Earth, That He will pleaſe, more and "more, to protect, defend, and proſper our Juſt, Wiſe, Gracious, and "Religious Proteſtant KING GEORGE: That His Sacred Perſon, His "Royal Son, and all His Illuſtrious Family may always be preſerv'd and "bleſs'd with the moſt exquiſite Bleſſings both in Time and to Eternity: "That all HIS MAJESTY'S Subjects may ſincerely be Loyal and Obe-"dient to Him, and (under His Happy Government) *lead quiet and peace-"able Lives in all Godlineſs and Honeſty:* And finally, That there may ne-"ver be wanting a Prince deſcended from Him to ſit upon the *Britiſh* "Throne ſo long as the Sun and Moon ſhall endure. And let all that *Fear* "GOD *and Honour the* KING, ſay AMEN.

After I had ſpoke to the whole Congregation in general, I then concluded all my publick, as well as I did my private Diſcourſes, with proper Exhortations in particular to the condemn'd Perſons, whom I endeavour'd to perſwade to a ſpeedy Return to GOD, praying that they might obtain Grace, by which their hard Hearts might be mollify'd and melted into true Repentance and Amendment of Life, to the bleſſed Comfort of their Souls both here and hereafter.

When I had them under private Examination by themſelves, they did (each of them) give me the following Account of their paſt Life and preſent Diſpoſition.

1. **Edward Dalton**, condemn'd for assaulting Mr. *Andrew Shields*, and robbing him of 12 Guinea's, a Broad-piece, and 18 *s.* in Silver, on the 30th of *May* last. He said, he was 38 Years of Age, born in *Ireland*, and brought up at *Dublin*; That there he was in a Gentleman's Service for a time, and then came to *London*, where he liv'd a while with another in the Capacity of a Servant also; That afterwards he went to *Flanders*, serv'd in the *English* Troops there, and was a private Centinel 5 years in the Lord *Barrimore's* Regiment. He acknowledg'd he had been a very ill Liver, and particularly when out of Employment, which was some considerable time: That he had done many things against the Laws of GOD and Man; and, That what he now found to be the great Cause of his Misery, was, his immoderate Desire and Inclination to Gaming, wherein he generally made it his Practice to cheat them he play'd with, as not sticking at any thing to make good his Game. As he was thus addicted to cheat, so he likewise gave himself the Liberty to commit divers Misdemeanours, some of which he was whipt, and some others he stood in the Pillory for, and yet he never reform'd, nor refrain'd himself from those wicked Practises, till by the Hand of Justice he was thus taken off from doing any further Mischief to the World. He seem'd to be very much griev'd, and lamented his past sinful Life, praying GOD to forgive him. A little before his Death he made this Declaration (by the Perswasion, I suppose, of some Persons who privately came to him) *That as he was born, so he would die in the* Romish *Religion*; of which I found he knew little or nothing.

2. **Sarah Glass**, condemn'd for Shoplifting, *i. e.* for privately stealing 16 Yards of Muslin, Value 7 *l.* out of the Shop of Mr. *William Hide*, and Mr. *Francis Cree*, on the 18th of *June* last. She said, she was about 44 Years of Age, born at a small Village near the *Devizes* in *Wiltshire*; That she had liv'd 28 Years in *London*, and had serv'd an Apprenticeship with one that sold Physick-herbs in *Stocks-Market*; That finding she could not set up for her self, and get a Livelihood in that Employment and Place, she went to *White-Chapel*; and there kept a Stall where she sold Meat; but for want of Trade, being reduc'd to great Poverty, she, for these 12 Years past, took to very ill Courses. She own'd, she had been burnt in the Cheek, and in the Hand, for several Felonies of which she was convicted, and had been once condemn'd to die, but obtain'd a Pardon. She would not freely tell me the Name she formerly went by (which was her first Husband's Name) lest the exposing of it might disgrace his near Relations, who are very laborious People, and honest too, as himself was. She further acknowledg'd, That above 2 Years and a half since, she was order'd to the *Bridewell* of *London*, but there being no Room to receive her in at that time, she remain'd a Prisoner in *Newgate* till *Christmas* last, when she was discharg'd. She own'd the Crime she was condemn'd for, and mightily bemoan'd the sad Condition which her presumptuous Continuance in a wicked Course of Life had now brought her to, and heartily pray'd that others might be wiser than she had been, and that GOD would please to forgive her many and great Sins.

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3. **Margaret Jones,** condemn'd for ſtealing a Silver Cup, Value 45 *s.* and a Silver Watch, Value 20 *s.* the Goods of Mr. *Jonathan Chaloner*, out of the Houſe of Mr. *Robert Legg*, on the 16th of *June* laſt. She ſaid, ſhe was ſomething above 40 Years of Age, born in the Pariſh of St. *Mary White-Chapel*; That ſhe had work'd hard in waſhing of Cloaths, Scowring, *&c.* for getting an honeſt Livelihood to her ſelf and Children; but not being able to ſubſiſt by that her Labour, and Poverty growing upon her, ſhe was eaſily tempted to uſe the wicked Trade of Stealing, which ſhe had follow'd for ſeveral Years paſt, without getting much by it beſides the Puniſhment ſhe had deſerv'd, which was the being (at times) burnt in both Face and Hand, and order'd to *Bridewel* for two Years. I found her very ignorant in any thing of Religion, yet I hope ſhe was truly ſenſible of, and heartily ſorry for, all her paſt Sins, and particularly this ſhe was (as ſhe acknowledg'd) juſtly condemn'd for. She cry'd to GOD for Mercy, and begg'd Pardon of them ſhe had offended.

At the Place of Execution, whither they were carry'd, all Three, in a Cart this Day, I attended them for the laſt time; and after my uſual Exhortations and Prayers, ſinging of Penitential Pſalms, and rehearſing of the Apoſtles Creed, I left them to their private Devotions, for which they had ſome time allotted them. Then the Cart drew away, and ſo, were turn'd off; they all the while calling on GOD to *have Mercy upon them*; to *pardon their Sins, and ſave their Souls.*

Wedneſd. Aug. 3d, 1715.

This is all the Account *here to be given of theſe* Dying Malefactors, *by me,*

PAUL LORRAIN, *Ordinary.*

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